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YOKOTA RELEASES NAME OF DECEASED AIRMAN

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan – An Airman assigned to the 374th Security Forces Squadron passed away in Tachikawa-shi, Tokyo, Nov. 9, 2018.

Master Sgt. Nicholas Vollweiler, 35, was found unconscious in his off-base residence with stab wounds, and was later pronounced dead at the hospital.

Japanese National Police currently have a suspect in custody related to the death of Master Sgt. Vollweiler, and are continuing their investigation process.

"Master Sgt. Vollweiler was a truly valued Airmen of Team Yokota and he will be dearly missed by our community," said Col. Otis Jones, 374th Airlift Wing Commander. "His family, friends, fellow defenders, and all of the Yokota community are in our prayers during this heartbreaking time."

The Air Force will continue to work with Japanese National Police to investigate Vollweiler's death.